



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) and (d) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under contract in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves the transfer of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to Japan for the production of the Evolved SeaSparrow Missile (ESSM).

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Secretary
Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

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The Honorable

Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Chairman,
Committee on Foreign Relations,
United States Senate.